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DEQ partners with the city of New Orleans, others, on Stormwater Workshop

BATON ROUGE – The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality is partnering with the city of New Orleans, New Orleans Sewerage and Water Board, Jefferson Parish and the Louisiana Stormwater Coalition to present a stormwater workshop. The workshop will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 10, at the New Orleans Regional Planning Commission, located at 10 Veterans Blvd. in New Orleans.

The goal of the workshop is to help provide training to contractors, builders, designers, engineers and developers in south Louisiana on the regulations of the Stormwater Program with respect to construction sites. The training will focus on understanding the water quality regulations and permit requirements for construction sites. The training will include a hands-on group exercise on preparing a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP).

"This is a great opportunity for DEQ to work together with our city and parish partners in getting the word out on the current regulations inherent in the stormwater pollution prevention program," said Jeff Dauzat, DEQ Environmental Scientist. "Training of this nature is particularly important when dealing with the ever-changing rules and regulations concerning stormwater pollution."

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